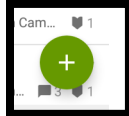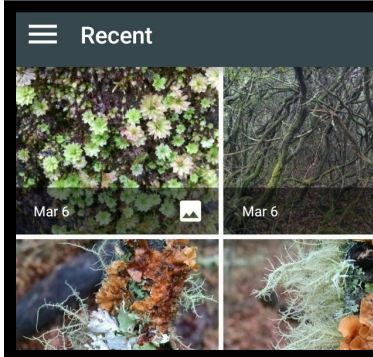# Quick Guide to the iNaturalist Android App

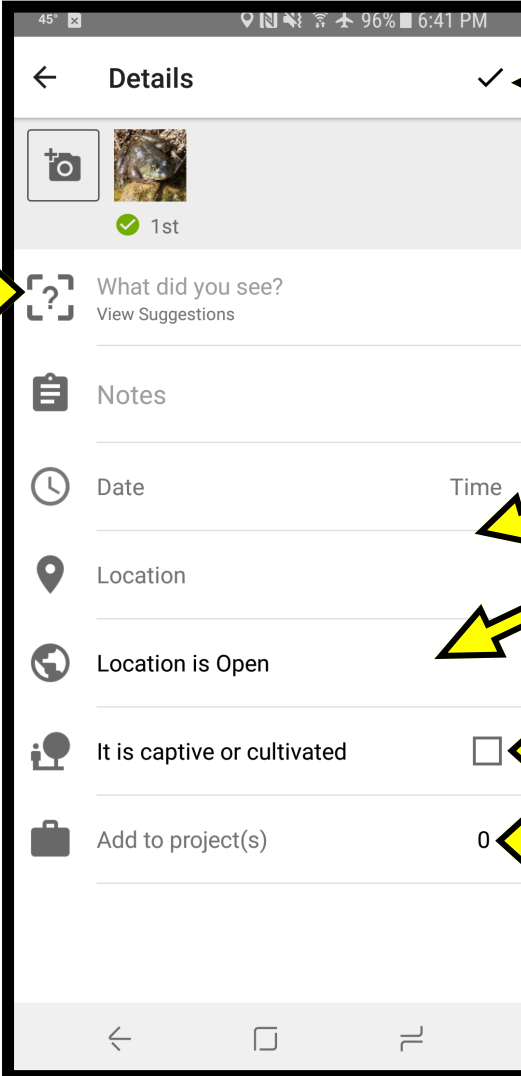**1** Open the app and login or create an account.

iNaturalist

2 Optional: Join Natural North Carolina or other projects you want to contribute toward. Click the three lines in the upper left and choose projects to search!

3 Tap the + sign

4 Take or choose a photo.

5 Enter observation details and tap "Save"

iNaturalist has image recognition! Tap on "What did you see?" and the app will suggest species if you are online. If nothing looks right, type in what you know about the species and click search, or browse. Click "Add" when you've gotten as close as you can, but try not to guess—leave this blank if you just don't know!

← Details ✓

📷

✓ 1st

[?] What did you see?
View Suggestions

📋 Notes

🕐 Date   Time

📍 Location

🌐 Location is Open

🌳 It is captive or cultivated ☐

💼 Add to project(s)   0

6 Tap the checkmark when you are ready to submit! It should submit automatically, but tap the Sync button if it appears.

Date and location will autofill if you have your location services enabled. Otherwise, click to edit your location.

Don't want everyone to see where you made your observation? Choose obscured or private to publicly obscure or hide your observation.

Did this species get here on its own? If not, check this box.

Choose projects to share your observation with here. You will need to add projects before you can select them here. Choose Natural North Carolina and any other projects you like!

Note: Images here depict the Android version of the iNaturalist app. The iPhone version is similar, but looks a little different.

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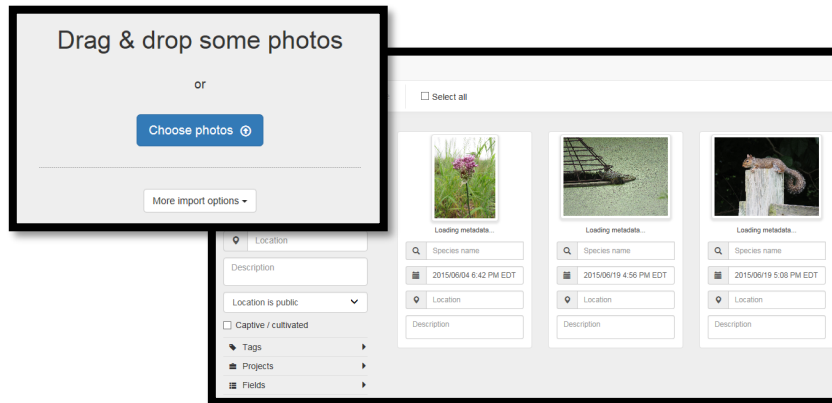
Quick Guide to the iNaturalist Website

1 Go to inaturalist.org and create an account. Login to your account.

2 Click "Projects." Optional: search for Natural North Carolina and tap "Join." Repeat for others!
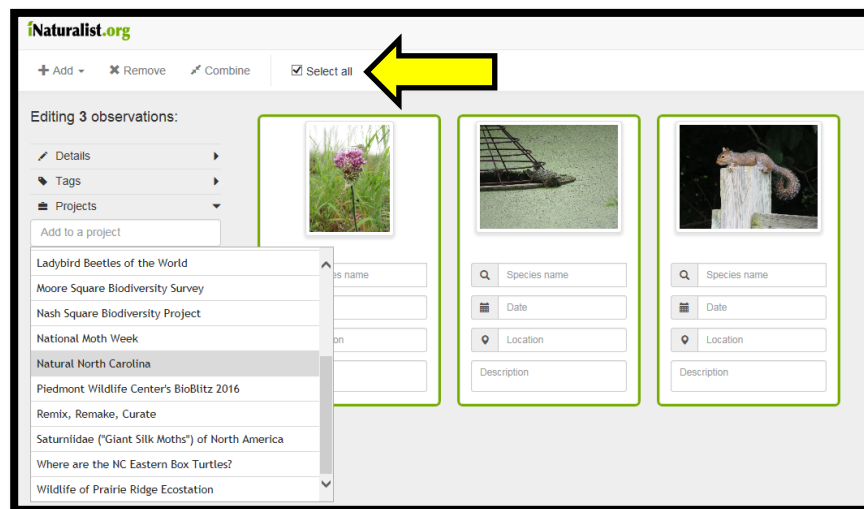
3 Click the + Observations button in the upper right of the screen.
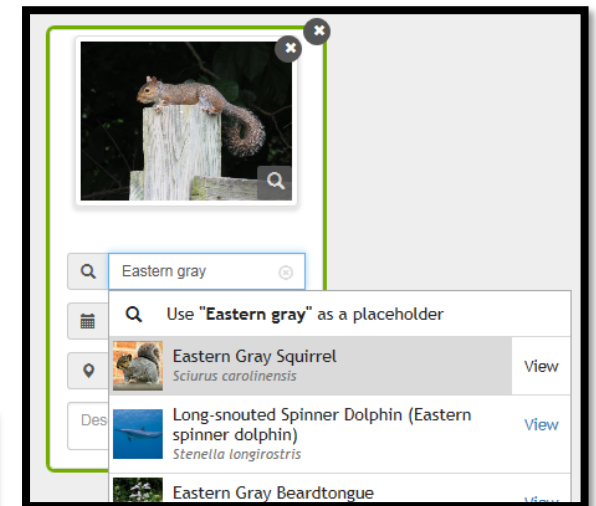
⊕ Observations

4 Select photos and drag and drop them into the window.

Drag & drop some photos

or

Choose photos ⊕

More import options ⌄

Location
Description
Location is public
☐ Captive / cultivated
🏷 Tags
🗄 Projects
☰ Fields

Select all
🔍 Species name   🔍 Species name   🔍 Species name
📅 2015/06/04 6:42 PM EDT   📅 2015/06/19 4:56 PM EDT   📅 2015/06/19 5:08 PM EDT
📍 Location   📍 Location   📍 Location
Description   Description   Description

5 Your date and time will be added automatically. To add the same location, project, etc, to all photos, check the "Select all" box and add the appropriate fields.

iNaturalist.org
+ Add ⌄   ✖ Remove   ⚡ Combine   ☑ Select all

Editing 3 observations:
✏ Details ▸
🏷 Tags ▸
🗄 Projects ▸
Add to a project
Ladybird Beetles of the World
Moore Square Biodiversity Survey
Nash Square Biodiversity Project
National Moth Week
Natural North Carolina
Piedmont Wildlife Center's BioBlitz 2016
Remix, Remake, Curate
Saturniidae ("Giant Silk Moths") of North America
Where are the NC Eastern Box Turtles?
Wildlife of Prairie Ridge Ecostation

🔍 ...es name   🔍 Species name   🔍 Species name
📅 Date   📅 Date
📍 ...on   📍 Location   📍 Location
Description   Description   Description

6 Add your ID to each photo. Choose the species (or other taxon) from the list that appears when you start typing. Note: it's best to ID your species ONLY as far as you're sure!

🔍 Eastern gray ⊗
🔍 Use "Eastern gray" as a placeholder
Eastern Gray Squirrel
Sciurus carolinensis   View
Long-snouted Spinner Dolphin (Eastern spinner dolphin)
Stenella longirostris   View
Eastern Gray Beardtongue   View

7 Make sure every photo has at least a date, location, and projects listed, then click "Submit" in the upper right corner!

Submit 3 observations